

MANHATTAN AND TAMMANY

\$18,000,000 NEW STOCK VOTED—CROKER'S MACHINE HALTS.

Gould Describes to Stockholders the Tammany Strike and They Vote "Go Ahead."

Two Tammany Aldermen Missing and Two New Ordinances Passed—Drip-Pan Ordinance Recalled for Whitewash.

The stockholders of the Manhattan Elevated Railway Company, without dissent, voted yesterday to issue \$18,000,000 of new stock and go ahead with the electrical equipment of the line regardless of Tammany's onslaught. Meanwhile over at the City Hall Mr. Croker's contingent couldn't do anything to advance the Tammany war and drew back their lines a little. Two Tammany Aldermen were sick and City Hall wouldn't pull straight. By orders from headquarters the drip-pans ordinance was recalled from the Mayor and amended by the Council so as to give all the elevated roads six months instead of sixty days to build drip pans under their entire structures. This was done to give the ordinance an appearance of fairness, which its authors forced to give it in their original hurry to hit Manhattan a blow. The Council also passed the Coogan car storage ordinance. The Aldermen sent both ordinances to committee.

MANHATTAN STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

More than four-fifths of the capital stock of the Manhattan was represented in the persons of the owners or proxies at the special meeting of stockholders. Samuel Sloan, a member of the Executive Committee, presided, and most of the directors and officials of the company, as well as its legal advisors, were present. The attendance of stockholders was perfect.

After the meeting had been called to order President George J. Gould announced its purpose and referred to the "strike" by Tammany in the following language:

"**GEORGE GOULD ON THE TAMMANY STRIKE.**
Mr. CHAIKIN.—This meeting is called for the purpose of obtaining authority from our stockholders to increase our capital stock \$18,000,000, for the purpose of placing electric power on the railroads of the company and for other corporate uses. The matter is all set forth in the circular which I hand you herewith, and which has been mailed to every stockholder, under date of Feb. 23, 1899. It is also set forth in the advertisement. I have nothing else to add to this, except the following:

"You have doubtless noticed that an attempt is being made by the sudden and concerted use of the municipal machinery of the city to embarrass or thwart the company in its proposed improvements. This attempt first came to the surface simultaneously with this company's failure to comply with a demand made on behalf of the New York Auto-Truck Company to enter into a contract with that company to let it fasten its piles on the entire rail-road structures of this company for a nominal consideration. That the effect of such failure would be to bring the attack on the part of the municipal authorities, which has been manifested from the beginning. When this matter was finally submitted to our counsel he declared that the piles containing compressed air at the top of the piles, and the iron mesh, being presumptively dangerous, if these torpedoes were put on the railroad structures and should explode and cause loss of life, this company would be liable to the offending party to indemnify and its franchises liable to forfeiture."

REFUSED FIRST ATTACK AFTERWARD.

Immediately after it became evident that the city would not accept the Tammany company, the opening attack upon this company by the Board of Health commenced, which has been followed by like attacks on the part of other municipal departments.

The company confidently relies upon the support of the public in its policy to make these improvements, and stockholders may rest assured that those of the city officials who will not be allowed to approve the proposed improvements for a single day."

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO GO AHEAD.

Resolved.—That the proposition to increase the capital stock of the Manhattan Railway Company, contained in the notice pursuant to which this meeting is held, be, and it hereby is adopted, and approved, and that the amount of the stock be increased from the present amount thereof, to \$18,000,000, consisting of 300,000 shares of \$600 each, and 180,000 shares of the \$100 each.

RESOLVED.—That the stockholders of the Manhattan and its proxies at this meeting, and the members of the Board of Directors, be authorized to substitute scriperty in the shape of steam as the motive power on the railroads of the company, and the enlargement and improvement of its system, and all other requisite facilities, to the end that the company may furnish the public with a safe, comfortable, and rapid railway.

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"We then went up as far as a saloon at 22 Rose street. I suggested going to a restaurant nearby, and to another place of good repute around on Pearl street, but he objected on the ground that he would be seen. Finally he says, 'Well, come on, let's go up under the bridge. It will be safer and no one will see us.'

"I say, 'Oh, no. Come around into the restaurant or into the saloon where we can't be seen and be comfortable.' He says, 'No, I want to be seen with you.'

"Then we started up Rose street.

"I says, 'Come in here; we'll never get out again.' We stood up on the bridge and I took off my coat and I opened the envelope and looked to see that the \$100 was there. I say, 'I'll take back to the *Evening Journal* office and tell him you're safe.'

"He says, 'No, charley, you can sit here, let me fit it up and I'll go and tell them it's all right.'

"He went out and came back when I had the sheet neatly completed excepting five or six lines. He says, 'I got the girl scared out of her wits.'

"He was leaning over my shoulder, confirming his assistance in getting the letter out, and I heard him mutter, 'I have to turn around and handed him the slip to take back to the *Evening Journal* office and tell him you're safe.'

"The last time I saw him was at 22 Rose street.

"The next thing I knew I was in the *Evening Journal* office and the boy was holding a letter in his hand. I was dazed and could not explain what had happened. I recovered enough to go to my home, 646 Halsey street, Newark, where I found the boy holding a letter from Bowen of 28 Hancock street. He told me my law was broken.

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TRUCE DEPRESSION IN BROOKLYN.

Atlantic Avenue Line Coupled with Tunnel Under the East and Hudson Rivers.

ALBANY, Feb. 28.—The three bills introduced in each house of the Legislature to facilitate the depression of the Long Island railroad tracks on Atlantic avenue in Brooklyn had another hearing today before the Cities Committee of the two houses.

In connection with the depression of the tracks the Cities Committee, through the efforts of the railroad companies, will keep all of them quiet all the time, but we are going to do it, even though we have to make some sweeping changes in the officers of the Guards," said Alfred Skill.

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BIG FIRE IN HOLYOKE.

The Windsor Hotel and the Opera House Are Destroyed.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 28.—A big fire is raging at Holyoke, Mass.—The Windsor Hotel and the Opera House were destroyed, causing \$300,000 damage.

Court Calendars This Day.

Fair weather prevailed over all the country yesterday, save for rain in northern Missouri and Iowa and snow elsewhere.

The low pressure was centered over Lake Michigan moving northward into Canada and was very severe. There was, however, a general depression entering over the Great Lakes from the north, and the pressure was about to go out to the east and southeast.

Then the amendment was adopted, and the amended ordinance was passed. Mr. Goodwin, however, and Miss Mettlin, suspecting the gravity of the case, asked that the marriage take place at once, and he retained his son-in-law for sixty days.

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Mr. Van Vorst sank rapidly, but, however, recovered, and his death occurred at 11 o'clock that night.

Mr. Van Vorst had been absent for the last month, residing most of the time in Paris. His health had also been for some time in fair condition, though he was Paris correspondent of the *Evening Post*. She had also contributed to the magazine. Mr. Van Vorst a little over a year ago made a trip to the Orient, and was unharmed by a magazine to write a series of articles on his trip. He returned about a year ago and had almost finished the preparation of his book.

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NEW ORDINANCE RECALLED AND TIME DELAYED.

Mr. Oakley moved that "sixty days" be struck out of the ordinance and "six months" be substituted. Councilman Wise voted no, and the ordinance was referred to the Building Committee for hearings. His motion was lost. Then Mr. Leitch moved as a substitute bill, which was agreed to, and the bill was sent to the Building Committee.

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Interest of Professors and Teachers.

What is that class in the community to which you must address yourself to fill your school? It is that which is composed of readers of *The Sun*.

It is the people of the community to whom your own personal observation must confirm its truth.

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